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FOLLOWING ARE SOME OF QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS WHICH TOOK
PLACE IN PRIMIN ECEVIT'S PRESS CONFERENCE AFTER HE READ
FORMAL STATEMENT ON CEASEFIRE REPORTED REFTEL.

IN ANSWER TO QUESTION ON THE ROLE OF THE UNITED STATES
IN ESTABLISHING CEASEFIRE, PRIMIN STATED THAT US CONTRIBUTED
GREATLY TO ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CEASEFIRE.

TO A QUESTION AS TO WHETHER HE HAD BEEN PRESSURED
BY SECRETARY KISSINGER AND CONCERNING REPORTS THAT MILITARY
AID WAS BEING USED AS A MEANS OF PRESSURE, HE SAID THAT
HE HAD FRIENDLY TALKS WITH SECRETARY KISSINGER AND THE MATTER
OF MILITARY AID HAD NEVER COME INTO THE CONVERSATION.

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HE REITERATED SEVERAL TIMES IN ANSWER TO QUESTIONS

THAT KYRENIA WAS NOW IN TURKISH HANDS AND THAT TURKS ON THE ISLAND WOULD HAVE AN OPENING TO THE SEA THROUGH WHICH TURKEY WOULD SUPPORT THEM ECONOMICALLY. HE REITERATED THAT KYRENIA IS GOING TO BE TURKISH AFTER THIS.

IN ANSWER TO A QUESTION AS TO WHO WILL MEET IN GENEVA TOMORROW, HE STATED THAT HE KNEW THAT FOREIGN MINISTERS CALLAGHAN AND GUNES WOULD BE ATTENDING BUT HE DID NOT KNOW WHO WOULD REPRESENT THE GREEK REGIME AS THERE ARE SOME REPORTS WHICH SHOW THAT CERTAIN DISTURBANCES ARE TAKING PLACE IN THAT COUNTRY. HE STATED THAT TURKEY IS GOING TO THE MEETING WITHOUT ANY PRE-CONDITIONS. OF COURSE, HE SAID, TURKEY WILL HAVE CERTAIN SUGGESTIONS, BUT WILL LISTEN TO ALL OTHERS.

TO THE QUESTION AS TO WHY HE ACCEPTED A CEASEFIRE, HE STATED THAT THE TURKISH AIM WAS TO ESTABLISH THE FREEDOM AND INTEGRITY OF THE ISLAND AND WOULD ABIDE BY THE UN DECISION WHEN IT WAS APPARENT THAT THIS AIM COULD BE ACHIEVED THROUGH CONFERENCES.

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